# Presenting "Cluttermania"



The only musical that explores the unusual relationships we have with our "stuff"

### Starring: Dust Bunny and the Mavens of Mess

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**Dust Bunny** 

#### We guarantee to entertain, make people laugh. We create a relaxed & fun atmosphere at your event!

For your next conference, meeting, luncheon or team building event catch some comic relief with "Cluttermania" through the crazy antics of Dust Bunny and the Mavens of Mess. Nothing is quite as funny as having a good laugh at ourselves. And what could be more hilarious than the inexplicable hold inanimate objects seem to have over us.

Whether it's stuff you've inherited, stuff you thought you needed, stuff that seemed like a good idea at the time, stuff you would like to get rid of, but the thought makes you feel guilty or stuff that has now planted itself permanently in your office or home – its just stuff! **Cluttermania** investigates why we seem to be powerless to part with it!!!

Who could be better qualified, than women who actually work in the clutter trenches to critically examine the obsessions we have with our possessions? Professional Organizers by day, Susan Borax and Heather Knittel have taken real-life experiences with pack-rats and other stashers to inspire the messages in their songs. They are joined by fellow vocalists and performers Brenda Kay and Kim Yarnold.

"Cluttermania" is a high-energy 40 minute musical revue that will inspire you to clean out your junk drawer as soon as the performance is over. The next time you are faced with organizing that towering mountain of paper or that atrocity of a basement, you will be armed with memories from this lighthearted, comical musical revue and motivated to sing your clutter away!

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#### **Top 10 Reasons**

## to see "Cluttermania"

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- 1. Every time you think about going down to your basement, you hear music from "Jaws"
- 2. The last time you had anyone over was during the Falklands War
- 3. Your neighbors think your house is bringing down property values
- 4. Your library fines are greater than the total value of your RRSP
- 5. You've been waiting 15 years for your children to pick up their reeking hockey gear
- 6. You missed your flight to Fiji because you could not locate your passport
- The local news station just issued an avalanche warning for your linen closet
- 8. Your dog and cat have sought refuge with the next-door neighbours
- 9. All of your bookshelves look like smiley faces
- 10. If you don't laugh about your junk, you will self-destruct

#### **TESTIMONIALS**

"WOW...did you guys rock or what! Everyone LOVED your comedy routine!! Beautiful! Thank you so much for making the event even more special! You were wonderful!

Women Alive Conference – Oct. 08 Laura-Lynn Tyler Taylor Host – The Daily – JoyTV

"I laughed, I cried, I peed my pants as these gals know how to make fun of us with class and Weird AI, look out there's a new gang in town!"

POC Conference – Vancouver – Nov. 07 Soraiya Kara, Professional Organizers in Canada Conference Party Chair

"The Dust Bunny and the Mavens of Mess have a unique way of entertaining and engaging an audience that will have them rolling on the floor, all the while learning that considering getting rid of their junk might not be a bad idea after all"! Funny, entertaining, hilarious and very practical! "Cluttermania" is an excellent addition to any function you could imagine!! Hilarity and education all in one!!

Sutton Place Hotel – Lymphoma Fundraising Event – April 08
Candace Newton
Host/Creator Unlocking Secrets for Women
www.unlockingsecrets.com
Associate Producer, Guesting Coordinator'
The Daily with Mark and Laura-Lynn
www.thedailytv.ca



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#### CAST



#### Susan Borax...Lyricist/ Pianist

Professional Organizer, Susan Borax, started playing the piano by ear at the tender age of 4. Even as a young girl, she was drawn to the show tunes and standards that form the basis for the parodies performed in Cluttermania. Her teens saw her working as the summer camp music counselor, accompanying productions and writing camp songs. Years later, she performed for ten years throughout the New York metropolitan area, from which she hails, as a cocktail piano soloist and as a member of the duo, "One Sings, the Other Doesn't." Writing material derived from

her "day job" where she works with people struggling with their relationships with inanimate objects, has been the highlight of her musical calling.



#### Heather Knittel ... Vocalist/Lyricist

Professional Organizer, Heather Knittel's passion for music started at an early age. Though childhood violin and piano lessons never held her attention, she always loved to sing! As a young girl, she fondly remembers listening to her Grandmother singing away while making her famous chicken soup for the family every Sunday. Family gatherings with the Fraser clan undoubtedly ended up as sing-alongs; with each cousin trying to out-harmonize the next. In 2004, friends challenged her to

audition for a growing gospel choir in Vancouver. After a successful audition, she was accepted into the soprano section of the Good Noise Vancouver Gospel Choir and hasn't looked back! Creating and performing Cluttermania has truly been a dream come true.



#### Brenda Kay...Vocalist

This seasoned professional performed in the convention industry for over 20 years as lead vocalist for the band Champagne. Brenda shared the Champagne spotlight regularly with many of Vancouver's most impressive vocalists and talented sidemen, too numerous to list. Her years of experience working as an entertainment consultant in the special event industry have proven invaluable; allowing her insight into the high caliber of musicianship Vancouver has to offer. Having always sung a wide variety of music, Brenda

is well versed in performing a little something for everyone. When Heather Knittel and Susan Borax pitched the idea of creating a musical revue highlighting the bizarre relationship we have with our stuff, Brenda jumped on board. Viewing the hilarious antics of this four-woman show, Cluttermania, is irresistible, good fun and ... downright inspiring.



#### Kim Yarnold...Vocalist

Kim's passion for performing began at an early age when people noticed she had a talent for mimicking others. This talent was later fostered and expanded when she took acting, singing and dancing lessons in preparation for an audition for a play at the age of 20. Though she didn't get the part, the experience didn't extinguish her perseverance. She headed off (in tears) to another audition location for the same play and was granted a part! Throughout her career she has starred in many community theatre productions in and around Vancouver, including Stanley Park's

Theatre Under the Stars and landed acting parts in a several TV series. Her flare and understanding of physical humour adds the right sparkle to Cluttermania. The other "Mavens of Mess" agree – because of her antics, they haven't been able to get through one rehearsal yet without succumbing to gales of laughter.

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